VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Honorable Barbara Gibson, Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen Village of Sun, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of the Village of Sun, Louisiana (the Village) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the Village of Sun, Louisiana.

A review consists principally of inquiries of the Village's personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 2 through 6 and 29, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Such information has not been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements, but was compiled from information that is the representation of management, without audit or review. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information.

In accordance with the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and the provisions of state law, we have issued a report dated December 30, 2008 on the results of our agreed-upon procedures for compliance with laws and regulations.

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December 30, 2008

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**JUNE 30, 2008** 

As management of the Village of Sun, Louisiana (the Village), we offer readers of the Village's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Village of Sun, Louisiana, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. This management discussion and analysis ("MD&A") is designed to provide an objective and easy to read analysis of the Village's financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, or conditions. It is intended to provide readers with a broad overview of Village finances. It is also intended to provide readers with an analysis of the Village's short-term and long-term activities of the Village, based on information presented in the financial report and fiscal policies that have been adopted by the Village. This section is designed to assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, provide an overview of the Village's financial activity, identify changes in the Village's financial position (its ability to address the next and subsequent year challenges), identify any material deviations from the financial plan (the approved budget), and identify individual fund issues or concerns.

As with other sections of this financial report, the information contained within this MD&A should be considered only a part of a greater whole. The readers of this statement should take time to read and evaluate all sections of this report, including the footnotes and the other Required Supplemental Information ("RSI") that is provided in addition to this MD&A.

#### Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Village's financial statements. The Village's basic financial statements consist of the following components:

- 1. Government-Wide Financial Statements
- 2. Fund Financial Statements
- 3. Notes to Financial Statements
- 4. Required Supplemental Information
- 5. Other Supplemental Information

#### 1. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Government-wide financial statements are designed by GASB-Statement 34 to change the way in which government financial statements are presented. It now provides readers for the first time a concise "entity-wide" Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities, seeking to give the user of the financial statements a broad overview of the Village's financial position and results of operations in a manner similar to a private sector business.

- A. The statement of net assets presents information on all of the Village's assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. The difference between the assets and liabilities is reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Village is improving or weakening.
- B. The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets as the underlying event giving rise to the change occur, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenue and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes)

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### JUNE 30, 2008

The government-wide financial statements further assist the reader in their evaluation by distinguishing functions of the Village into:

- 1. Government Activities that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenue, and
- 2. Business-type Activities from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges.

#### Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a governments' financial position. The Village assets exceed its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$510,980 (net assets). The Village's net assets are comprised of \$471,907 from Governmental Activities and \$39,073 from Business type Activities as shown on Page 7.

The largest portion of the Village's net assets reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment, vehicles, Village infrastructure, etc.), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The Village uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Village's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the Village's net assets presents resources that are subject to restrictions on how they may be used and are classified as such. The remaining balance consists of unrestricted net assets.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Village is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net assets, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities for all funds.

#### Governmental Activities

The Government Activities of the Village include General Government Public Safety and Public Works. Sales taxes, franchise taxes, occupational licenses and permits, fines and other revenues fund most of these governmental activities.

The following shows the Village's expenses related to those functions typically associated with governments. Below, we show the General Government expenses, which include salaries, building cost, alderman fees, depreciation, and other general administration cost. Public Safety expenses encompass the Police Department. Public works expenses include salaries and maintenance.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **JUNE 30, 2008**

## For the year ended June 30, 2008

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Governmental Activity Expenses	_ <u>An</u>	nounts	Percentages					
General Government	\$	125,122	62%					
Public Safety		65,605	32%					
Waterworks operation and maintenance		12,999	6%					
Total Governmental Activities	\$	203,726	100%					

General Revenues are those available for the Village to use to pay for the governmental activities described above. The following shows the Village's general revenues:

For the year ended June 30, 2008

	June 30, 2000							
General Governmental Revenues	_ <u>Am</u>	ounts	Percentages					
Taxes	\$	131,434	59%					
Fines and forfeitures		33,711	15%					
Franchise fees		10,784	5%					
Licenses		<b>8</b> ,169	4%					
Investment earnings		678	1%					
Other general revenues		36,508	16%					
Total Governmental Revenues	\$	221,284	100%					

#### **Business-Type Activities**

The Business-Type Activities of the Village are those that the Village charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides. The Village's water department is reported here.

Business-Type Activities	For the year ended June 30, 2008
Charges for Services	\$ 65,153
Investment Earnings	234
Transfers	-
Operating Expenses	(69,484)
Interest Expense	
Net Operating (Loss)	\$ (4,097)

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

JUNE 30, 2008

#### 2. FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Village, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Village can be divided into two categories; governmental funds and proprietary funds.

A. Government funds are used to account for most of the Village's basic services as reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Village's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Village's programs.

Because the focus of government funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for government funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the government fund balance sheet and the government fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and change in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities. These reconciling statements are located on pages 10 and 12.

The Village maintains three individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and change in fund balances for the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund, which are considered to be major revenue funds.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 9 through 12 of the report.

#### Financial Analysis of the government Funds

As of the end of the current year, the Village's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$272,881. In the General Fund the unreserved fund balance is \$122,477. The Village has a reserved fund balance of \$79,424 in the Special Revenue Funds, which handle sales tax collections.

The reserved fund balance in governmental funds in the amount of \$150,404 indicates that these funds are not available for new spending because they have already been committed for public improvement and water system operation and maintenance. The net increase in fund balance during the current year in the Governmental Funds was \$57,680.

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#### **JUNE 30, 2008**

B. Proprietary funds – Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Village uses enterprise funds to account for its Water/Garbage Department. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the Water/Garbage departments, which are considered to be major funds of the Village. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 13 through 15 on this report.

#### 3. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The notes to financial statements provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 16 through 28 of this report.

#### 4. REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information. Required supplementary information can be found beginning on page 29 of this report.

#### Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Village's finances for all of those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Jane Jenkins; Village Clerk; P.O. Box 818, Sun, Louisiana 70463.

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities			Business-type Activites		V =		Total
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	59,955		3,550	\$	63,505		
Investments		17,695		_		17,695		
Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles)		98,774		1,205		99,979		
Restricted cash and equivalents		102,838		15,946		118,784		
Buildings, improvements, & equipment (net)		199,026		13,540		199,026		
Utility plant & equipment (net)		177,020		21,716		21,716		
TOTAL ASSETS		478,288		42,417		520,705		
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	_\$	6,381_	_\$	3,344	\$	9,725		
TOTAL LIABILITIES		6,381		3,344		9,725		
NET ASSETS								
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		199,026		21,716		220,742		
Restricted for:		,		,		•		
Capital projects				5,731		5,731		
Debt service				10,215		10,215		
Public improvements		91,642		-		91,642		
Waterworks maintenance		58,761		-		58,761		
Unrestricted		122,478		1,411		123,889		
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	471,907	\$	39,073	\$	510,980		

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

		Program Revenues Operating Capital						) Revenue in Net Ass				
	Expenses		arges for ervices	Gr	ants &	G	.apitai rants & tributions	_	vernmental Activities	Busi		Total
Governmental Activities		_				_						
General government	\$125,122	\$	-	\$	6,665	\$	55,185	\$	(63,272)	\$	•	\$ (63,272)
Public safety	65,605		-		-		-		(65,605)		-	(65,605)
Waterworks operation & maintenance	12,999						-		(12,999)		<u> </u>	(12,999)
Total Governmental Activites	203,726				6,665		55,185		(141,876)			(141,876)
Business-type Activities												
Waterworks	69,484_		65,153		-				_		(4,331)	(4,331)
Total Business-type Activities	69,484	_	65,153								(4,331)	(4,331)
Total Primary Government	\$273,210	<u>\$</u>	65,153	\$	6,665	_\$_	55,185		(141,876)		(4,331)	(146,207)
	General Rev Taxes	enue	s:						131,434			131,434
	Fines and f	-f-	turna						33,711		-	33,711
	Franchise f		tures						10,784		-	10,784
	Licenses	003							8,169			8,169
	Investment	еапт	ings						678		234	912
	Other gene		_						36,508		•	36,508
	Transfers								-		-	- ,
	Total gener	al re	venues an	ıd tran	sfers				221,284		234	221,518
	Change i	n Ne	t Assets						79,408	. <u></u> -	(4,097)	75,311
	Net assets-b	egin	ning of yea	ar					392,499		43,170	435,669
	Net assets-e	nd o	year					_\$_	471,907	<u>\$</u>	39,073	\$ 510,980

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2008

		Special Rev	Total		
	General	Sales &	Special	Governmental	
	Fund	Use Tax	Sales Tax	Funds	
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 30,338	\$ 29,617	\$ -	\$ 59,955	
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	70,980	-	31,858	102,838	
Investments	-	-	17,695	17,695	
Receivables	94,994	2,700	1 <b>,080</b>	9 <b>8,77</b> 4	
Due from other funds	540	-	9,545	10,085	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 196,852	\$ 32,317	\$ 60,178	\$ 289,347	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 3,395	\$ 1,569	\$ 1,417	\$ 6,381	
Due to other funds	Ψ 5,575	10,085	Ψ 1,417	10,085	
Dat to biller lands		10,005		10,000	
Total liabilities	3,395	11,654	1,417	16,466	
Fund Balance					
Reserved for public improvements	70,980	20,663	_	91,643	
Reserved for water system operations					
and maintenance	-	-	58,761	58,761	
Unreserved - undesignated	122,477			122,477	
Total fund balances	193,457	20,663	58,761	272,881	
TOTAL LIABILITIES					
AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 196,852	\$ 32,317	\$ 60,178	\$ 289,347	

## VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2008

\$ 272,881
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 199,026
\$ 471,907
\$

# VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	G	eneral	Sales & Special			Total Governmental		
		Fund	U	Use Tax		les Tax		Funds
REVENUES								<u>-</u>
Taxes	\$	81,601	\$	10,309	\$	39,524	\$	131,434
Government grants and contracts		31,850		30,000		-		61,850
Fines and forfeitures		33,711		-		-		33,711
Franchise fees		10,784		-		-		10,784
Licenses		8,169		-		-		8,169
Interest income		-		-		678		678
Other revenues		28,625		7,100		783		36,508
Total revenues		194,740		47,409		40,985		283,134
EXPENDITURES								
General government		49,990		56,397		7,262		113,649
Public safety		58,103		-		-		58,103
Capital outlay		40,703		-		-		40,703
Waterworks operation and								
maintenance						12,999		12,999
Total expenditures		148,796		56,397		20,261		225,454
EXCESS/(DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES								
OVER EXPENDITURES		45,944		(8,988)		20,724		57,680
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/(USES)								
Transfers in		25,016		-		-		25,016
Transfers out				(25,016)				(25,016)
Net transfers		25,016		(25,016)		-	-	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		70,960		(34,004)		20,724		57,680
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR		122,497		54,667		38,037		215,201
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$	193,457	\$	20,663	\$	58,761	\$	272,881

# VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Net Change in Fund Balances, Total Governmental Funds	\$ 57,680
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which	
capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.	25,988
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets	
is to decrease net assets. This amount is the net loss on disposed assets.	 (4,260)
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 79,408

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2008

	Waterwork				
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,550			
Receivables, (net)		1,205			
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		15,946			
Utility plant and equipment		187,674			
Accumulated depreciation		(165,958)			
TOTAL ASSETS		42,417.00			
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	_\$_	3,344			
Total current liabilities		3,344			
Total liabilities		3,344			
NET ASSETS					
Invested in fixed assets, net of related debt		21,716			
Restricted for:					
Revenue bond retirement		5,764			
Farmer's Home Administration note payable retirement		4,451			
Reserved for depreciation and contingencies		5,731			
Unrestricted net assets		1,411			
Total net assets		39,073			

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUND - WATERWORKS SYSTEM ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

OPERATING REVENUES		
Water and service charges	\$	65,153
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Billing and collecting expenses		7,823
Water operations and maintenance		5,965
Garbage service		20,115
Insurance		4,261
Utilities and telephone		3,696
Wages		22,339
Depreciation	<del></del>	5,285
Total operating expenses		<u>69,484</u>
OPERATING INCOME		(4,331)
NONOPERATING REVENUES/(EXPENSES)		
Interest income		234
Total nonoperating expenses, net		234
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		(4,097)
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR		43,170
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	<u>\$</u>	39,073

## VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND - WATERWORKS SYSTEM ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	STRICTED CASH	 CASH
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$ (4,097)	\$ -
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash		
provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	5,285	~
Changes in operating assets		
Decrease in accounts receivable	(181)	•
Changes in operating liabilities		
Decrease in accounts payable	 351	<del>-</del>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	1,358	-
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property and equipment	 -	 <del>-</del>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Interfund transfers	 (234)	 234
Net cash provided by/(used in) capital		
and related financing activities	 (234)	 234
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,124	234
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	 2,426	15,712
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$ 3,550	\$ 15,946

#### INTRODUCTION

The Village of Sun, Louisiana (Village) was incorporated October 6, 1958 under the provisions of the Lawrason Act, Louisiana Revised Statutes (LSA-R.S.) 33:321-463. The Village operates under a Mayor-Board of Aldermen form of government. The Village provides police protection, maintenance of streets, and waterworks services.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements of the Village of Sun have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

#### Reporting Entity

The financial statements of the Village include all funds, account groups, and activities that are within the oversight responsibility of the Village. Certain units of local government, over which the Village exercises no oversight responsibility, such as the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury, St. Tammany Parish School Board, independently elected parish officials, and municipalities within the parish, are excluded from the accompanying financial statements. These units of government are considered separate reporting entities and issue financial statements separate from that of the Village of Sun.

As the municipal governing authority for reporting purposes, the Village is a separate financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (municipality), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Village of Sun for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
  - a. The ability of the municipality to impose its will on that organization and/or
  - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the municipality.
- 2. Organizations for which the municipality does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the municipality.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

#### Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Village of Sun. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meetings the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and the Village's proprietary fund. Individual governmental funds and the enterprise fund are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Sales taxes, franchise taxes, gambling taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measureable and available only when cash is received by the Village.

The Village reports the following major governmental funds:

#### General Fund

The General Fund is the principal fund of the Village of Sun and accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in other funds. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

#### Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The Village has two Special Revenue Funds, described as follows:

#### Sales and Use Tax Fund

Proceeds of the one percent sales and use tax levied by the Village of Sun are dedicated to acquisition, maintenance, and construction of public roads, streets, sidewalks, bridges, recreational facilities, buildings, operating sewerage and water systems, public safety, and other permanent public improvements.

#### Special Sales and Use Tax Fund

Proceeds of the special one percent sales and use tax levied by the Village of Sun after paying reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administering the tax are dedicated for waterworks additions, improvements, extensions, and operation of the waterworks system.

#### Capital Projects Fund

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for the acquisition or construction of capital facilities (other than those financed by the Proprietary Fund) being financed from general obligation or certificates of obligation bonds proceeds, grants, or transfers from other funds. This includes the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG).

The Village reports the following major proprietary funds:

#### Proprietary Fund - Enterprise

An enterprise fund is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges. The waterworks system of the Village is funded primarily through user fees collected from approximately two hundred (200) customers of the system.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The Village has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments-in-lieu of taxes and other charges between the government's enterprise operations. Elimination of these charges, if any, would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Principal operating revenues for the Village's proprietary fund consists of charges to customers and users of water services. Operating expenses for the Village's proprietary fund includes the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Village's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash includes amounts in time deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits.

Louisiana Revised Statutes authorize the Village of Sun to invest in (1) United States bonds, treasury notes or certificates, or time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana and national banks having their principal offices in the State of Louisiana, an investment as stipulated in LSA-R.S. 39:1271, any other federally insured investments or (2) in mutual or trust fund institutions, which are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Investments Act of 1940, and which have underlying investments consisting solely of, and limited to, securities of the US Government or its agencies. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Proprietary Fund considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

#### Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds". Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "Internal balances."

#### Allowance For Uncollectible Receivables

The financial statements for the Village of Sun contain no allowance for uncollectible receivables. Uncollectible receivables are recognized as bad debts at the time information becomes available which would indicate the uncollectibility of the particular receivable.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The municipality maintains a threshold level of \$500 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Capital outlays are recorded as expenditures in the fund financial statements, and they are recorded as assets in the government-wide financial statements. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, the Village is a Phase 3 government, and as such is not required to capitalize its infrastructure retroactively. The Village has decided to record its infrastructure on a prospective basis. The Village has capitalized its waterworks infrastructure. The Village capitalizes interest on construction in its Proprietary Fund. Capital outlays of the Proprietary Fund are recorded as fixed assets and depreciated over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis on both the fund financial statements and the government-wide financial statements.

All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Estimated lives
Land improvements	20 years
Buildings and improvements	15-40 years
Water and sewer systems	40 years
Furniture and fixtures	7 years
Vehicles	5 years
Equipment	5-20 years

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, (continued)

#### Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and the proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. In the fund financial statements, however, debt principal payments of governmental funds are recognized as expenditures when paid.

#### **Budget and Budgetary Accounting**

Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control device during the year for the general fund and special revenue funds. Budgets are adopted for the general fund and special revenue funds on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). All appropriations, which are not expended, lapse at year-end.

#### Compensated Absences

The Village of Sun has three full-time employees, but does not follow a formal vacation and sick leave policy. The employees are covered under the Federal Insurance Contribution Act.

#### Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of the Village of Sun's financial statements, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of June 30, 2008. Adjustments to the reported amounts of assets and liabilities may be necessary in the future to the extent that future estimates or actual results are different from the estimates used in the 2008 financial statements.

#### **Fund Equity**

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

#### Inter-fund Transactions

Permanent reallocation of resources between funds of the reporting entity are classified as inter-fund transfers. For the purposes of the statement of activities, all inter-fund transfers between individual governmental funds have been eliminated.

#### NOTE B - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### Budget

In accordance with the Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, the procedures used by the Village in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements include public notices of the proposed budget, public inspections, and public hearings. The Board of Aldermen then legally adopts the budget. Budgeted amounts included in the accompanying statements are adopted as amended by the Board of Aldermen as of June 30, 2008.

#### **Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations**

The following individual funds had actual expenditures over budgeted appropriations for the year ended June 30, 2008:

<u>Fund</u>	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Unfavorable Variance
Sales & use tax fund	\$ 76,755	_\$ -	_\$(34,004)_	\$(34,004)

#### NOTE C - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, 2008, the Village had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$182,288 as follows:

	Un	restricted	Cash	]	Restricted
Time deposits Interest-bearing demand	\$	-		\$	15,946
Deposits		63,505			102,838
-	\$	63,505		\$	118,784

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. The securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At June 30, 2008, the Village of Sun had \$195,152 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$100,000 of federal deposit insurance and \$188,216 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank (GASB Category 3).

Even though the pledged securities are considered uncollateralized (GASB Category 3) under the provisions of GASB Statement No. 3, Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledge securities within 10 days of being notified by the Village of Sun that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

#### NOTE D - INVESTMENTS

An investment of \$17,695, which is stated at cost, and approximates market at June 30, 2008, is invested in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP). In accordance with GASB Codification Section 150.165, the investment in LAMP is not categorized in the three risk categories provided by GASB because the investment is in a pool of funds thereby not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, and is governed by a board of directors comprised of representatives from various local governments and statewide professional organizations. Only local governments having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest. Accordingly, LAMP investments are restricted to securities issued, guaranteed, or backed by the U.S. Treasury, the U.S. Government, or one of its agencies, enterprises, or instrumentalities; as well as repurchase agreements collateralized by those securities. The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances.

NOTE E - CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of the change in capital assets for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008:

	Balance			Balance
Governmental	July 1,			June 30,
Activities	2007	Additions	Deletions_	2008
Capital Assets Being				
Depreciated:				
Buildings & improvements	\$ 1 <i>77,</i> 436	\$ 30,030	\$ -	\$ 207,466
Equipment	88,099	32,166	7,100	113,165
Total Capital Assets				
Being depreciated	265,535	62,196	7,100	320,631
Less Accumulated				
Depreciation for:				
Buildings & improvements	59,602	5,511	-	65,113
Equipment	50,128	9,204	2,840	56,492
Total Capital Assets				
after depreciation	\$ 155,805	\$ 47,481	\$ 4,260	\$ 199,026

#### NOTE E - CAPITAL ASSETS, (continued)

The following is a summary of the change in capital assets for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008:

Business-type Activities	Balance July 1, 2007	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2008
Capital Assets Being				
Depreciated:				
Water and Sewer				
Systems & Improvements	\$ 187,674		\$ -	\$ 187,674
Less Accumulated				
Depreciation	160,673	5,285		165,958
Total Capital Assets				
Being depreciated	\$ 27,001	\$ (5,285)	<u> </u>	\$ 21,716

#### NOTE F - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2008, consisted of the following:

	_	eneral Fund	-	ecial venue	Propr	ietary	1	otal
Receivables:								
Taxes	\$	29,254	\$	3,780	\$	-	\$	33,034
FEMA Grants		56,128		-		-		56,128
Service charges,								
fines and fees		9,612		<del>-</del>		1,205		10,817
Net receivables	\$	94,994	\$	3,780	\$	1,205	\$	99,979

The management of the Village of Sun has recorded an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$14,847 to account for accounts receivable from utility customers that it believes are uncollectible as of June 30, 2008. The management of the Village believes that all other receivables are collectible.

#### NOTE G - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & ACCRUED LIABILITIES

The payables of \$8,308 at June 30, 2008, were as follows:

		Special		
	General	Revenue	Proprietary	
	Fund	Funds	Fund	Total
Accounts payable	\$ 1,533	\$ 2,190	\$ 2,012	\$ 5,735
Accrued payroll liabilities	1,862	796	1,332	3,990
	\$ 3,395	\$ 2,986	\$ 3,344	\$ 9,725

#### NOTE H - RESTRICTED ASSETS

The revenue bonds and the FHA note instruments require that all the income and revenues earned from the operation of the system be deposited into the Waterworks Revenue Fund Account. This account is required to be maintained and administered in the following order of priority and for the following expressed purposes through the use of the following accounts:

Note Payment Fund - The bond and note instruments require that this fund be established and maintain an amount sufficient to pay the principal and the interest on the bond and note by transferring from the Waterworks Revenue Fund Account one-twelfth of the amount of principal and interest becoming due on the next succeeding payment date together with such additional proportionate sum as may be required to pay said principal and interest as the same respectively become due. As of June 30, 2008, there was no reserve requirement. The balance of the Note Payment Fund was \$4,451 at June 30, 2008.

Reserve Bond Fund - The bond and note instruments require that this fund be established and maintained by transferring a sum at least equal to one-twelfth of five percent of the amount required to be paid monthly into the aforesaid Note Payment Fund. The payments into this fund must continue until such time as there has been accumulated a sum equal to the maximum amount of principal and interest due on the bond and note in any subsequent year and used solely for the purpose of paying the principal and interest each year as to which there would otherwise be default. As of June 30, 2008, there was no reserve requirement. The balance of the Revenue Bond Fund was \$5,764 at June 30, 2008.

<u>Depreciation Fund</u> - The bond and note instruments require that this fund be established to care for depreciation, extensions, additions, improvements, and replacements necessary to properly operate the system by depositing in a separate bank account the sum of \$82 per month, provided that such sum is available after provision is made for the payments required under the funds previously mentioned. As of June 30, 2008, there was no reserve requirement. The balance of the Depreciation Fund was \$5,731 at June 30, 2008.

#### NOTE I - UTILITY DEPOSITS

Subsidiary records of customer liability utility deposits are not maintained. Therefore, the actual liability of customer utility deposits could not be determined or recorded in the financial statements as of June 30, 2008. Refunds of utility deposits are recorded as a reduction to utility income in the period they are refunded. Management believes that utility deposit and their subsequent refunds are not material to the financial statements in the current period.

#### NOTE J - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Operating transfers between funds consist primarily of waterworks maintenance expenditures transferred out of the Special Sales and Use Tax Fund and capital outlays in the special revenue funds for capital assets that will be maintained in the General Fund.

		erfund nsfers in	Interi Transfe	
General Fund: Sales and Use Tax Special Sales and Use Tax	\$	<b>25,0</b> 16	\$	
	·	25,016		•
Sales and Use Tax Fund: General Fund		-		25,016
Proprietary Fund				25,016
Special Sales and Use Tax Fund: General Fund Proprietary Fund				<u>-</u> -
Proprietary Fund: Sales and Use Tax Special Sales and		-		-
Use Tax		-		
		-		-
Total Transfers	\$	25,016	\$	25,016

#### NOTE J - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS, (continued)

Individual balances due from/to other funds at June 30, 2008, were as follows:

Fund	 rfund ivables		rfund ables
General Fund:	\$ 540	\$	-
Special Revenue Funds: Sales and Use Tax Special Sales and	-		10,085
Use Tax	9,545		-
Proprietary Fund:	 -		
	\$ 10,085	\$_	10,085

#### NOTE K - HURRICANE KATRINA

On August 29, 2005, the District was impacted by Hurricane Katrina. The Hurricane caused damage to several buildings and downed numerous trees. For the year ended June 30, 2007, the Village incurred (cumulatively) \$85,144 in Katrina related expenditures, and \$103,102 in capital costs. For the year ended June 30, 2008, the Village incurred an additional \$38,083 in Katrina related expenditures and capital costs. The Village set up a separate bank account to monitor the funds received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and, the balance in the Hurricane Katrina bank account was \$70,980 as of June 30, 2008, and is classified as restricted cash on the statement of net assets. The Village has recorded \$56,128 as receivable from FEMA as of June 30, 2008 for costs incurred but not reimbursed under an approved project worksheet for capital repairs to several Village buildings. The reimbursement was received after June 30, 2008.

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Actual GAAP Basis	Original Budget	Final Budget	Variance with Final Budget Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
REVENUES				
Taxes & franchise fees	\$ 92,385	\$ 20,605	\$ 54,085	\$ 38,300
Government grants and contracts	31,850	5,307	11,276	20,574
Fines and forfeitures	33,711	38,605	34,240	(529)
Licenses	8,169	12,338	7,809	360
Other revenues	28,625	19,620	12,258_	16,367
Total revenues	194,740	96,475	119,668	75,072
EXPENDITURES				
General government	49,990	29,012	51,160	1,170
Public safety	58,103	59,596	48,361	(9,742)
Capital outlay	40,703	65,849	34,828	(5,875)
Total expenditures	148,796	154,457	134,349	(14,447)
EXCESS/(DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	45,944	(57,982)	(14,681)	60,625
OTHER SOURCES				
Transfers in	25,016	-		25,016
EXCESS/(DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND				
OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES	70,960	(57,982)	(14,681)	85,641
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	122,497	122,497	122,497_	·
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 193,457	\$ <u>64,515</u>	\$ 107,816	\$ 85,641

VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

		Sale Use	Sales and Use Tax			Specie and U	Special Sales and Use Tax	
	Actual			Variance	Actual			Variance
	GAAP	Original	Final	Favorable	GAAP	Original	Final	Favorable
	Basis	Budget	Budget	(Unfavorable)	Basis	Budget	Budget	(Unfavorable,
REVENUES								
Taxes	\$ 10,309	\$ 21,815	\$ 10,000	\$ 309	\$ 39,524	\$ 20,605	\$ 30,000	\$ 9,524
Government grants and contracts	30,000	48,493	30,000	•	ι	ı	•	•
Interest income	ı	1	ı	1	678	,	1	819
Other revenues	7,100	6,447	2,000	100	783	1		783
Total revenue	47,409	76,755	47,000	409	40,985	20,605	30,000	10,985
EXPENDITURES						,		9
General government	56,397	ı	47,000	(9,397)	7,262	28,190	15,021	7,759
Capital Outlay Waterworks operation and maintenance		• 1	r I		12,999		,	(12,999)
Total expenditures	56,397	ı	47,000	(765,6)	20,261	28,190	15,021	(5,240)
OTHER SOURCES								
Operating transfers in Operating transfers out	(25,016)	1 1	1 1	(25,016)	, , }	, ,	' '	. 1
Total other sources (uses)	(25,016)	1	•	(25,016)	•	•	,	1
EXCESS/(DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND	300	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		00000	50.00	(30)	14 070	371.3
OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES	(34,004)	10,133	·	(34,004)	471,07	(000,1)	14,713	7,10
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	54,667	54,667	54,667	1	38,037	38,037	38,037	,
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 20,663	\$131,422	\$ 54,667	\$ (34,004)	\$ 58,761	\$ 30,452	\$ 53,016	\$ 5,745

See accountants' review report

#### COMPENSATION PAID TO ALDERMEN

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

As shown on this schedule, compensation paid to aldermen is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 33:405(G), the aldermen receive \$30 per month to attend board meetings. The Village pays the alderman an additional \$15 for unscheduled or special meetings.

Aldermen	Number	Amount		
Burrell Mullet	16	\$ 405		
Floyd Mizell	16	405		
William Rivers	16	405		
Total		\$ 1,215		

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF AGED RECEIVABLES/NUMBER OF USERS/WATER RATES **JUNE 30, 2008**

	Aged Accounts Receivable								
	0 - 60 days		61 - 90 days		> 90 days		Total		
Number		137		27		45		209	
Amount	\$	2,708	\$	943	\$	12,401	\$	16,052	
Less Allowance for Doubtful Accounts								(14,847)	
Water Rates								1,205	
water Rates									
Usage									
Residential		Cost							
0 - 2000	\$	7.00							
2001 - 5000	\$	7.00							
5001 - above	\$	11.80							
Commercial									
0 - 10000	\$	20.00							
10001 - above	\$	20.00							
Churches, Masonic Lodges									
0 - 2000	\$	4.00							
2001 - 3000	\$	5.60							
3001 - 4000	\$	7.20							
4001 - 5000	\$	8.80							
5001 - 6000	\$	9.30							
6001 - above	\$	9.30							
Number of Users									
Residential		200							
Non-residential		9							



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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Honorable Barbara Gibson, Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen Village of Sun, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of the Village of Sun and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about the District's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended June 30, 2008, included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

#### Public Bid Law

1. Select all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$20,000, or public works exceeding \$100,000, and determine whether such purchases were made in accordance with LSA-RS 38:2211-2251 (the public bid law).

We reviewed all cash disbursements for purchases of materials and supplies that exceeded \$20,000 or for public works exceeding \$100,000. No exceptions noted.

#### Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics), and a list of outside business interests of all board members and employees, as well as their immediate families.

The Village provided us with the required list including the noted information.

3. Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.

The Village provided us with the required list.

4. Determine whether any of those employees included in the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (3) were also included on the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (2) as immediate family members.

None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by the Village in agreed-upon procedure (3) appeared on the list provided by the Village in agreed-upon procedure (2).

#### Budgeting

5. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

The Village provided us with a copy of the adopted original budget and the adopted budget as amended.

6. Trace the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.

We traced the adoption of the original budget to the minutes of a regular meeting, which indicated that the budget had been adopted by the aldermen of the Village. Approval of an amended budget was then traced to the minutes of a meeting held in June 2008.

7. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more or if actual expenditures exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the amended budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Actual expenditures for the year exceeded the amended budgeted amounts by more than 5%, in the general fund and the special revenue fund.

#### Accounting and Reporting

- 8. Randomly select 6 disbursements made during the period under examination and :
  - a) trace payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee;

We examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that the payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

- b) determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account; and
  - All of the payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.
- c) determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

Inspection of documentation supporting each of the six selected disbursements indicated approvals from the accountant Mayor.

#### Meetings

9. Examine evidence indicating that agenda for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:1 through 42:12 (the open meetings law).

The Village is required to post a notice of each meeting and the accompanying agenda on the door of the Village's Town Hall building. Management has asserted that such documents were posted.

#### <u>Debt</u>

10. Examine bank deposits for the period under examination and determine whether any such deposits appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

We inspected copies of all bank deposit slips for the period under examination and noted no deposits which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

#### Advances and Bonuses

11. Examine payroll records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments have been made to employees, which may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

A reading of the minutes of the District for the year indicated no approval for the payments noted. We also inspected payroll records for the year and noted no instances which would indicate payments to employees, or the Board of Aldermen which would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of the Village of Sun and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Silva & Associates, RAC

December 30, 2008

#### CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS & MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

#### During 2008, we noted the following findings and management's response:

#### Finding 2008-1:

Local Government Budgeting Act LSA-R.S. 39:1310 requires the Comptroller (or his/her equivalent) to notify the Board of Commissioners in writing during the year when actual revenues fail to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more, or when actual expenditures exceed budgeted expenditures by 5% or more. Furthermore, LSA-R.S. 39:1309 requires the Board of Commissioners to amend the budget upon being notified.

It appears the Village has attempted to comply with these requirements, but has still not appropriately amended the budget to comply. There are instances of expenditures exceeding budget by 5% or more. The Village did not prepare a separate budget for one of the special revenue funds and the proprietary fund. This was a finding in the prior year as well.

#### Management's corrective action plan:

The Village's Board of Alderman has hired a bookkeeper to assist in the preparation and monitoring of the Village's budget and intends in the future to comply with the Local Government Budget Act.

#### Finding 2008-2:

The Village officials and employees perform interrelated duties resulting in a lack of internal accounting controls. This situation is due to economic and financial constraints. This was a finding in the prior year as well.

#### Management's corrective action plan:

Due to the Village's size and operating budget, it is not economically feasible to employ sufficient personnel to ensure adequate segregation of duties.

#### VILLAGE OF SUN, LOUISIANA MANAGEMENT LETTER COMMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Honorable Barbara Gibson, Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen Village of Sun, Louisiana

During the course of our review, we observed conditions and circumstances that may be improved. Below are findings noted for improvement, our recommendation for improvement, and the Village's response.

#### MLC 2008-3:

77% of the Village's waterworks receivables are over 90 days old. The Village has implemented a formal process for granting credit to customers, denying service to delinquent customers, collecting on past due accounts, or writing off uncollectible receivables. We recommend that the Village formalize and follow a written procedure for processing, monitoring, and collecting its waterworks customer accounts, and terminating service to customers for nonpayment and continue to improve on the implementation of this process and the financial recording and reporting of payments and receivables. This was a management comment in the prior year.

#### Response:

The Village's Board of Alderman have asked management to begin more aggressively collecting past due balances. The Village's management has increased collections significantly as compared to last year, has begun to enforce cutoff notices, and has made payment arrangements with many of the significantly past due customers. The Village's management acknowledges that certain balances will need to be written off. The Village's management will continue to follow the new procedures and reduce the over 90 day receivable balance to an acceptable amount

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December 30, 2008

#### PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

#### During 2007, we noted the following findings and management's response:

#### Finding 2007-1:

Local Government Budgeting Act LSA-R.S. 39:1310 requires the Comptroller (or his/her equivalent) to notify the Board of Commissioners in writing during the year when actual revenues fail to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more, or when actual expenditures exceed budgeted expenditures by 5% or more. Furthermore, LSA-R.S. 39:1309 requires the Board of Commissioners to amend the budget upon being notified.

It does not appear the Village complied with these requirements. There are several instances of expenditures exceeding budget by 5% or more, with no evidence of notification. The Village did not prepare a separate budget for one of the special revenue funds.

#### Management's corrective action plan:

The Village's Board of Alderman has hired a bookkeeper to assist in the preparation and monitoring of the Village's budget and intends in the future to comply with the Local Government Budget Act.

This finding has not been resolved in the current year.

#### Finding 2007-2:

The Village officials and employees perform interrelated duties resulting in a lack of internal accounting controls. This situation is due to economic and financial constraints. This was a finding in the prior year as well.

#### Management's corrective action plan:

Due to the Village's size and operating budget, it is not economically feasible to employee sufficient personnel to ensure adequate segregation of duties.

This finding has not been resolved in the current year.

#### PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

#### Finding 2007-3:

The Village used funds obtained from one approved and funded FEMA grant to pay for a different approved but as yet unfunded FEMA project. This appears to be a violation of the terms of the grants. This was a finding in the prior year as well.

#### Management's corrective action plan:

The Village's Board of Alderman felt that it was necessary to expend the funding in this manner to maintain government operations. They have requested reimbursement under the approved FEMA grants, and will replace the funds when they are received.

This finding has been resolved in the current year.

#### MLC 2007-4:

81% of the Village's waterworks receivables are over 90 days old. The Village does not have, or does not follow, a formal policy for granting credit to customers, denying service to delinquent customers, collecting on past due accounts, or writing off uncollectible receivables. We recommend that the Village formalize and follow a written procedure for processing, monitoring, and collecting its waterworks customer accounts, and terminating service to customers for nonpayment. This was a management comment in the prior year.

#### Management's corrective action plan:

The Village's Board of Alderman have asked management to begin aggressively collecting past due balances. The Village management has begun sending cutoff notices to past due customers, and has also made payment arrangements with others. The Village's management acknowledges that certain balances will need to be written off.

This finding has been not resolved in the current year.